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SUBJ: FMS KUWAIT- NATIONAL ASSEMBLY APPROVES \$1.4 BILLION DEFENSE

BUDGET

REF: KUWAIT 2314

- 1. KUWAIT NATIONAL ASSEMBLY IN FIVE HOUR SECRET SESSION JULY 3 APPROVED GOK REQUEST FOR KD 422 MILLION (\$1.4 BILLION). FOLLOWING SESSION, ASSEMBLY SPEAKER INFORMED PUBLIC WHICH INCLUDED EMBASSY LOCAL THAT GOK DEFENSE BUDGET REQUEST HAD BEEN APPROVED.
- 2. NATIONAL ASSEMBLY APPROVAL JULY 3 FOLLOWED APPROVAL BY ASSEMBLY'S DEFENSE AND SECURITY COMMITTEE PREVIOUS DAY. UNDER TERMS OF NATIONAL ASSEMBLY APPROVAL GOK AUTHORIZED TO TAKE FROM STATE'S GENERAL RESERVES KD 422 MILLION TO BE ALLOTTED TO STRENGTHENING DEFENSE OF THE COUNTRY. THE SUPREME DEFENSE COUNCIL AUTHORIZED ALLOT THE NECESSARY AMOUNT FOR EACH FISCAL YEAR OVER SEVEN YEARS AS OF FY 73/74. AMOUNTS NOT, RPT NOT, SPENT EACH YEAR CAN BE FORWARDED TO NEXT YEAR.
- 3. COMMENT: ASSEMBLY ACTION NOW CLEARS WAY FOR GOK CONFIDENTIAL

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TO MOVE FORWARD ON MILITARY IMPROVEMENT/EXPANSION

PROGRAM. REFTEL INDICATED TOP PRIORITY ACTION
REQUIREMENTS FROM USG. WE EXPECT MINDEF SHAIKH SAAD
TO APPROACH US SOON ON VARIOUS MILITARY MATTERS AND
WE SHALL SUBMIT FOLLOW-UP REPORTS ASAP.
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